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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, New Orleans

DATE: 2-28-67

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FROM : Director, FBI

SUBJECT: JAMES C. GARRISON  
DISTRICT ATTORNEY  
ORLEANS PARISH  
NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA  
PERSON NOT TO BE CONTACTED

Remyairtel dated 2-24-67, and captioned "Assassination of President John Fitzgerald Kennedy, November 22, 1963, Dallas, Texas."

In view of Garrison's actions and comments in connection with his so-called investigation of the assassination of President Kennedy, he has been designated as a person not to be contacted without prior Bureau approval.

Garrison, born November 20, 1921, in Iowa, is listed in the current Martindale--Hubbell Law Directory with an address at 2700 Tulane Avenue, New Orleans, Louisiana.

*cc - 89-69*

*Memo to all  
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : ALL AGENTS

FROM : SAC, NEW ORLEANS (80-dead)

SUBJECT: JAMES C. GARRISON  
DISTRICT ATTORNEY  
ORLEANS PARISH  
NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA  
PERSON NOT TO BE CONTACTED

DATE: 3/1/67

By communication dated 2/28/67, the Bureau advised that captioned individual has been designated as a person not to be contacted without prior Bureau approval.

GARRISON was born 11/20/21 in Iowa.

You are further advised that in addition to the above, no contact is to be made with any member of his staff with reference to the assassination matter.

With respect to GARRISON's so-called investigation of the assassination of President KENNEDY, this will serve to again reiterate that all employees must follow a strictly "no comment" with reference to any questions which might be directed to them in this regard.

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# GARRISON 'OUT' OR 'IN TRACTION'

## Excuses Vary for Failures to Appear

Two Times-Picayune reporters who knocked at the door of District Attorney Jim Garrison's home Friday night were told he was out with his wife—only an hour and a quarter after he had failed to appear at a meeting on the grounds that he was in traction to treat his ailing back. The DA had been listed as the guest speaker at a dinner at the Metairie Baptist Church at 7 p.m. Friday.

A Times-Picayune reporter who went to the church to cover Garrison's address was told by a member of the congregation that the DA had sent word that he was in traction and would

be unable to attend the affair.

### WISHED TO DELAY

The spokesman further stated that Garrison had said that instead of sending a substitute, as he has done throughout his campaign for reelection when he was scheduled to address the public, the DA wished to postpone his talk until he was able to appear personally.

At 8:15 p. m., the two reporters went to Garrison's home at 4600 Owens Blvd. and knocked on the door.

Garrison's 10-year-old son Jasper came to the door and said his parents were out.

Asked when they would be back, the boy said he would try to find out from his grandmother, who was sitting with the DA's children.

The boy returned and said his parents would be home "sometime after 9 o'clock" Friday night.

### HOSPITAL UNINFORMATIVE

A call to Hotel Dieu Hospital, which Garrison reportedly entered late last week for treatment of his back, proved fruitless.

An operator at the hospital's main switchboard connected one of the reporters with the hospital's information operator.

Asked what room the DA was in, the information operator said she had received orders not to give out any details about him.

When the information operator was asked merely to verify whether or not Garrison was a patient at the hospital, she replied, "I have been ordered not to reveal anything about him. Any information will have to come from his office or from the hospital administrator," who had left for the night.

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—THE TIMES-PICAYUNE

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Date: 9-27-69

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Editor: GEORGE W. HEALY JR

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## Garrison Now Out of Hospital

District Attorney Jim Garrison is out of the hospital and may be returning to the campaign trail.

A spokesman for Hotel Dieu Hospital said today that Garrison checked out of the hospital at 2 p. m. yesterday.

Reporters checking Garrison's home over the weekend were told that the DA and his wife were out for the evening. A hospital spokesman said patients who are able can be released from the hospital for an evening with permission of their physicians.

Garrison checked into the hospital Sept. 20. He has not made any campaign appearances since that date. His office said a recurring back ailment was the cause of the hospitalization. Garrison is opposed by three candidates for his job — Harry Connick, Charles Ray Ward and Ross T. Scaccia.

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THE STATES-ITEM

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JIM GARRISON

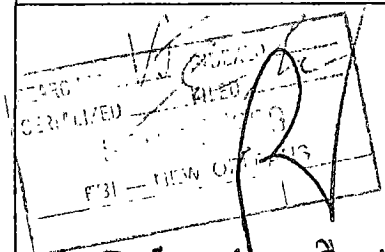
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# The Phantom DA

(An Editorial)

Crime is on the rampage in New Orleans. Every law-abiding citizen is worried about it. The district attorney can do something about it. But where is the district attorney? He has become a phantom.

More often than not during the current campaign, the district attorney has failed to show up at public meetings to debate his opponents and to answer the questions that are preying on the minds of the people of New Orleans.

This is not to say the public won't be hearing from the phantom district attorney. We understand he has pre-recorded some slick, Madison Avenue-type television shows which are to be telecast during the last days of the campaign in an effort to blitz the voters and make them forget the past.

But isn't the public entitled to more than this from its district attorney? What about all those bail-bond cases? What about the Cimino heroin case? What about the McGill marijuana case? ~~What~~ about the Patrem rape case? And the

Hawkins' abortion case? Doesn't the public have a right to know?

Why doesn't the phantom district attorney give the public an opportunity to question him about these cases? Does he have some-



thing to hide? Is he afraid? Is he sick? Or is it simply that the phantom district attorney does not have to answer to anyone but himself?

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# What Kind of DA?

District Attorney Jim Garrison says the States-Item is against him. He is right. We are against him. But for good reasons.

In a series of front page editorials, we have spoken out against Mr. Garrison. We felt an obligation to do so. Many private citizens would like to speak out against Mr. Garrison. But they are afraid. For Mr. Garrison has shown he will not hesitate to ruin innocent men.

This newspaper is not afraid of Jim Garrison. We were serving this community long before anyone ever heard of Jim Garrison and we will continue to serve it long after he has gone. And so we speak for those whose voices are stifled by fear.

We have criticized Mr. Garrison for the way he has misused and abused the vast powers of his office. We have called him a phantom district attorney for refusing to debate his opponents, for refusing to answer the questions that are preying on the minds of the people of New Orleans.

We have criticized him for indulging in wild fantasies while crime runs rampant in our city. We have criticized him for his neg-

ligence in collecting forfeited bail bonds. And we have criticized him for dropping charges against hardened criminals and for failing to vigorously prosecute others.

Mr. Garrison seeks to portray himself as a champion of the little man. It is a good political tactic. But if Mr. Garrison is genuinely interested in the little man, why has he not prosecuted those who take advantage of the little man? For it is the little people who suffer most at the hands of criminals. Why hasn't Mr. Garrison investigated Louisiana Loan & Thrift in which hundreds of little people stand to lose their life's savings?

If the people of this city want a district attorney who will continue to let crime run rampant, if they want a district attorney who will continue to make this city the laughing stock of the nation, then by all means they should vote for Jim Garrison.

But if the people of this city are ready for a real DA, if they are ready for a full-time DA who will enforce the law with firmness and justice for all, then **HARRY CONNICK** is their man.

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# Garrison Claim Is Challenged By Connick

District attorney candidate Harry Connick last night challenged Jim Garrison's claim that Garrison's office has never lost a murder case.

Connick, addressing a rally of his campaign workers at his headquarters, 924 Gravier, said he had found a case where the grand jury returned a murder indictment which was reduced to a manslaughter charge by Garrison only to have a 12-man jury return an innocent verdict.

Connick said Alphonse Williams was charged Sept. 20, 1967, with the murder of Robert Ferguson. Connick said court records show the charge was reduced to manslaughter and Williams was found innocent on March 13, 1968.

THE DA candidate also charged that Garrison has failed to bring to trial some 3,813 charges against people accused of crimes, including some cases that go back to 1962.

"The truth is that Jim Garrison has misled the people of New Orleans about every aspect of criminal justice," Connick said.

"Garrison misled us when he told us he never lost a murder case.

"He misled us when he told us he was speedily prosecuting persons accused of crimes when, in fact, he allows cases to linger for as long as seven years.

"HE MISLED us about the Clay Shaw case.

"He misled us when he said he cleaned up Bourbon Street when everyone knows that pornography and a heavy traffic in drugs are flourishing there."

Connick charged that Garrison's record "does not stand up to close inspection. The achieve-

ments he claims are a flimsy cover that is blown away by the first strong breeze that comes along."

CONNICK TOLD his campaign workers that under Garrison, between Jan. 1, 1966, and June, 1969, the grand jury indicted 142 men for murder.

Of these, Connick said, 34 pleaded guilty or were found guilty at a trial. Twelve of the murder charges were dismissed. One, (Alphonse Williams) was found not guilty. Thirteen are still open and haven't been prosecuted.

Eighty-three, Connick said, were allowed to plead guilty to manslaughter or negligent homicide and received sentences from two to 21 years.

"IN OTHER words," Connick said, "Mr. Garrison went to trial on only 34 of 142 murder indictments, winning 33. The way that he has stacked the deck, taking to trial only those cases he was certain to win, it is indeed a mystery that he has ever failed to get a conviction in a murder case. The real question is whether this bargain basement approach to justice, allowing many defendants to cop lesser pleas, really protects the law-abiding citizens of New Orleans."

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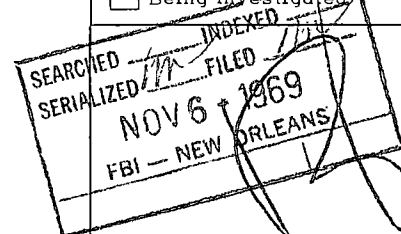
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# DA, 3 Others Are Sworn Into Parish Offices

Criminal Court Judge Bernard Bagert today presided over ceremonies in which four elected parish officials were sworn in on the first day of the city's new administration.

The packed courtroom saw District Attorney Jim Garrison sworn in for an unprecedented third term. Criminal Sheriff Louis A. Heyd Jr., also began a new term. Criminal

the murder plot, was planned in New Orleans.

HE ADDED THAT there will come a time when the whole world will know that the U.S. government was "involved in that murder."

In his response Heyd said he would continue to try to make the sheriff's office an efficient one but he said the sheriff's department would not be in good shape until a new Parish Prison is built.

Dr. Rabin was first appointed to the post to succeed the late Dr. Nicholas P. Chetta and Haggerty took the office after the death of his father, Edward A. Haggerty Sr.



**DA JIM GARRISON**  
Begins third term.

inal District Court Clerk Dan Haggerty and Coroner Carl Rabin began their first full four-year terms.

**GARRISON SAID** after taking the oath of office; that he would continue to serve for the next four years, "as I have for the past eight."

He said he was convinced that his office did not blame anybody to trial that wasn't thought to be guilty.

On his famous probe into the assassination of President Kennedy, Garrison said someday everyone will know that

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## Garrison Stay In Hospital Undetermined

District Attorney Jim Garrison, who entered Hotel Dieu for treatment for a bad back July 14, was still there today, and when he will be able to return to his desk is questionable.

James Alcock, assistant district attorney, said he believes Garrison will be able to return to his office on a partial basis within the next two weeks. Alcock said he has been in almost daily consultation with Garrison either by phone or personal visit.

Dr. Walter H. Brent Jr., one of Garrison's physicians, was less optimistic about chances for Garrison to return to work within the next two weeks. He said this is possible, but added, "You can never be too certain about anything like this in medicine."

Garrison has been "much more comfortable" recently and has been taking exercises for his back, Dr. Brent said.

The district attorney's back troubles began at least as early as his campaign for reelection in late 1969, when he made only infrequent personal appearances.

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, NEW ORLEANS

DATE: 12/14/70

FROM : SAC, NEW YORK

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SPEECH AT LOEB STUDENT CENTER, NEW YORK  
UNIVERSITY (NYU), NYC, 11/23/70.  
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Mr. JIM C. GARRISON, New Orleans District Attorney, spoke at

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GARRISON began his speech by stating that the United States was a fascist war machine. (u)

According to GARRISON, Congress was originally vested with the major part of political power in the United States. The power was transferred to the office of the President during the Roosevelt Era, but now the Pentagon is the most powerful institution in the United States, and has been, GARRISON contended, since the assassination of President KENNEDY. (u)

GARRISON held that KENNEDY had a plan to withdraw all troops from Vietnam by 1965. This plan for a withdrawal ran contrary to the wishes of the Joint Chiefs because they viewed South East Asia as a necessary conquest and eventually a bulwark against the expansion of Red China. (u)

Because of this dispute, KENNEDY was murdered by an agent of the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA), according to GARRISON. (u)

GARRISON believes that the military establishment has perpetuated the myth of the Cold War in order to get funds for its own expansion. Since the United States and United Soviet Socialists Republic (USSR) have achieved nuclear parity, the generals are now preoccupied with the Red Chinese and are preoccupied with propagandizing about the threat of Red China or to justify the need for receiving large amounts of funds. (u)

All those who have gotten in the way of the Pentagon or have threatened to stop its growing power have been systematically eliminated by assassins of the CIA and Defense Department. The first assassination began with JOHN KENNEDY, as previously mentioned. Like JOHN, ROBERT KENNEDY represented a threat to the Pentagon particularly after he had won the California primary in 1964. He was therefore killed as was

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MARTIN LUTHER KING - one of the most vocal and powerful  
leaders in the anti-Vietnam war movement. (u)

GARRISON believes that the military will remain  
the number one power in the United States and continue to  
enforce its will on the people until its violent methods  
can no longer be hidden from the United States public. (u)

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## REMARK DENIED BY GARRISON

Misquoted on Federal Judiciary, He States

District Attorney Jim Garrison claimed Monday that he was misquoted in Saturday's editions of The Times-Picayune, and did not state on Friday that "the federal judiciary has become corrupt."

The story Garrison referred to concerned his remarks Friday at the swearing-in ceremony for newly-appointed Criminal District Court Judge Charles Ray Ward.

Following is the text of Garrison's letter:

"The Times-Picayune of May 20 contained a news story in which I was incorrectly quoted as saying that 'the federal judiciary has become corrupt.' Nothing could be farther from the truth than such a statement. This was not what I said at all, and it is most unfortunate that such a mistake in reporting occurred.

It is possible that the reporter at Judge Ward's swearing-in really believes that the "federal judiciary" and the Justice Department—which was the subject of my comment—somehow are indetical. In any event, I am quite sure that this error in quoting me was unintentional.

"Not merely attorneys, but virtually all laymen, recognize that, as a general proposition, the integrity of the federal judiciary simply is not open to question. The most outspoken critics of the federal government concede that, insofar as the federal judiciary is concerned, its quality and integrity is of the highest level and above reproach.

"The Justice Department is a horse of another color. This is not intended as a reflection on the horse, which is a very intelligent animal and an asset to mankind. The Justice Department, which is an asset only to the powers whom it serves, is located on Pennsylvania Ave. in Washington, D.C., and is a part of the Executive branch of the federal government. Despite its altruistic title, the Justice Department in fact has very little to do with justice."

"The Justice Department, at its very best, is politically oriented. Measured at its highest level, it is corrupt beyond any possible description. There are few political crimes which it has not committed. There is no offense which it will not commit, no individual right which it will not violate, if a political gain can be accomplished. The business of the Justice Department is injustice.

"Its so-called 'task forces' are nothing less than contemporary versions of totalitarian secret police. Inasmuch as it is operating under a Republican administration, virtually all elected officials who are indicted and prosecuted are Democrats. Republican elected officials, it appears, never commit federal offenses.

"We live in an era in which tragedies, unprecedented in our history, have occurred. Great leaders of the people have been assassinated, time and time again, under repeatedly strange circumstances. In every case, the Justice Department has played an active part in concealing the truth and fooling the citizens of this country.

"Never before has a major element of the United States government been so busily engaged in working against the interests of the people and in undermining the traditions and ideals which for so many years represented the America which we once knew."

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Editor: GEORGE W. HEALY, JR.

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JIM GARRISON

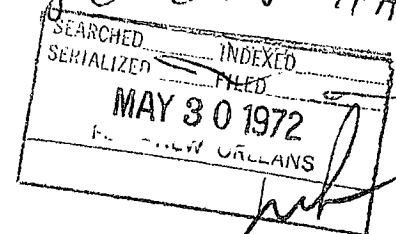
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# Garrison to Seek High Court Post

Candidates continued to qualify today for various offices in the August Democratic primaries.

A surprise qualifier yesterday was Dist. Atty. Jim Garrison, who is seeking a seat on the Louisiana Supreme Court.

Several candidates qualified for U.S. congressional seats, including incumbent Hale Boggs of New Orleans, House majority leader.

Two candidates for the U.S. House of Representatives, Second Congressional District seat, had qualified as of yesterday afternoon, announced Hugh McCloskey Evans Jr., chairman of the committee.

They were Boggs, 2801 St. Charles Ave., New Orleans, and Jules W. Hillery, 200 Harding St., Jefferson Parish. Evans announced that candidates may qualify with him at 333 Henry Clay Ave., New Orleans, telephone 891-6813, until the deadline, 5 p.m. Friday, June 16. Qualification fee is \$500.

A total of four candidates for the U.S. House of Representatives, Third Congressional District, had qualified as of yesterday afternoon to fill the seat of U.S. Rep. Patrick T. Caffrey who is not seeking reelection.

The list was released by Elton A. Dorsey of Houma, committee chairman, with whom candidates must qualify.

**THE CANDIDATES** are: Carl D. Bauer, 56 E. Main St., Franklin; Donald A. Decuir, 203 Wicklow Blvd., New Iberia; George T. Oubre, 777 Goodhope St., Norco, and J. Louis Watkins Jr., 406 Crescent Blvd., Houma.

Dorsey noted candidates must qualify with him at his office, 413 B. Goode St., Houma, telephone 872-6531, before 5 p.m. Friday, June 16.

Qualification fee is \$500.

In New Orleans, the city attorney's office said five persons, including Garrison, qualified for two seats on the State Supreme Court.

**OTHERS INCLUDE** Civil District Judge Walter F. Marcus Jr., Court of Appeal Judge L. Julian Samuel of Gretna, Municipal Court Judge Joseph R. Bossetta and Pascal F. Calogero Jr. of New Orleans.

Garrison, Marcus, Samuel and Bossetta will seek an eight-year term in the vacancy to be created by the retirement of Justice Walter B. Hamlin.

Calogero will seek a two-year term to be created by the retirement of Chief Justice E. Howard McCaleb.

Juvenile Court Judge Ernest Nathan Moriel, 1312 Magazine St., and Judge Godfrey L. Regan, 450 Fairway Drive, have both qualified for a term on the Court of Appeal beginning Jan. 1, 1974.

Qualifying for the position to be created by the retirement of Court of Appeal Judge Paul E. Chasez Dec. 11, 1972, is Patrick Schott, 3801 Napoleon Ave.

**A TOTAL** of 15 candidates for Jefferson Parish judgeships and district attorney had qualified for the Aug. 19 Democratic first primary as of yesterday afternoon.

The list was released by Everett F. Gauthreaux, chairman of the Judicial Committee.

Qualifying with Gauthreaux were the seven incumbent judges of the 24th Judicial District Court: Louis G. Desonier Jr., 229 W. Livingston Place, Metairie, Division A; Frank V. Zaccaria, 10145 Lucy Court, Harahan, Division B; Nestor L. Currault, 425 Fairfield Drive, Gretna, Division C; Gordon L. Bynum, 128 Cottonwood Drive, Gretna, Division D; Fred S. Bowes, 66 Willow Drive, Gretna, Division E; Floyd W. Newlin, 308 Woodvine Ave., Metairie, Division F; and H. Charles Gaudin, 28 Farnham Place, Metairie, Division G.

Also qualifying were the three incumbent parish court judges: Cyril J. Giacane Sr., 245 Dodge Ave., Jefferson Parish, Division A, First Parish Court; Douglas A. Allen, 4909 Henican Place, Metairie, Division B, First Parish Court, and John Jackson Molaison, 2517 Vulcan St., Harvey, Second Parish Court.

**TWO CANDIDATES** qualified for the open Juvenile Court judgeship: Sol Gothard, 4720 Page Drive, Metairie, and Anthony "Wes" Wambsgans, 621 Stewart Ave., New Orleans, 70123.

Incumbent Dist. Atty. John Mitchell Mamoulides, 4917 Henican Place, Metairie, has qualified for election for district attorney.

George R. Blue, 5308 Haring Court, Metairie, has qualified for the newly created Division H judgeship of the 24th Judicial District Court.

Thomas C. "Tom" Wicker, 3700 Cleveland Place, Metairie, has qualified for the newly created Division I judgeship of the 24th Judicial District Court.

**GAUTHREAUX** announced that all qualified voters of Jefferson Parish who want to become candidates for the Democratic party nomination in the Aug. 19 primary election for the judicial offices of judges of the 24th Judicial District Court, Juvenile Court

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THE STATES ITEM

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judge, district attorney, and judges of the First and Second Parish courts should file notarized qualification papers with him at his office, 311 Huey P. Long Ave., Gretna, on or before 5 p.m. Friday, June 16.

Qualification fee for all the offices is \$420 which should be made in cash or by certified check. Gauthreaux's office number is 361-0479.

A total of 10 candidates for school board and parish court judgeships had qualified as of yesterday afternoon for the Aug. 19 first Democratic primary.

**RICHARD** Abadie, chairman of the Jefferson Parish Democratic Executive Committee, with whom the candidates must qualify, released the following list:

—Jefferson Parish School Board, two seats from the West BNAK: Ivy N McDonald Jr., 744 Paillet St., Harvey; Joseph Francis "J.C." Cerniglia, 1404 Thomas St., Gretna; Wilber "Cadute" Chaisson, 4001 Cedar St., Marrero; Mrs. Barbara D. Spears, 716 Hickory St., Gretna; Linus Joseph Falgout St., 83 Louisiana St., Westwego.

—Jefferson Parish School Board, two seats from the East Bank: Incumbent board member Dr. Warren V. Ales, 905 Homestead Avenue, Metairie.

— Division A, First Parish Court, incumbent Judge Cyril J. Gracianette, 245 Dodge Ave., Jefferson Parish.

—Division B, First Parish Court: Incumbent Judge Douglas A. Allen, 4909 Henican Place, Metairie; and James F. Quaid Jr., 216 N. Laurel, Metairie.

—Second Parish Court, incumbent Judge John Jackson Molaisaon.

**ABADIE SAID** candidates for school board or parish court judgeships must qualify with him at his home, 316 Hesper Ave., Metairie, telephone 833-7920, before 5 p.m., Friday, June 16.

Qualification fees are \$200 for school board and \$300 for parish court judgeships.

Hours for qualification are between 5 p.m. and 8 p.m. at his residence, and from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. on Friday at his residence.

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# Garrison Announces Candidacy

Dist. Atty. Jim Garrison has issued his formal statement of candidacy for the Louisiana Supreme Court vacancy to result from the retirement of Associate Justice, Walter B. Hamlin.

Garrison pointed to his record as a district attorney as qualifications for the Supreme Court post, saying that in 10 years as DA "my office was successful in convicting every major lottery operator — and for the first time in history — sending every lottery owner to the penitentiary, thus ending the racket which had preyed upon the poor people of New Orleans for many decades."

The candidate also cited his cleanup of "notorious operations of Bourbon Street," and the organizing of the first organized rackets bureau ever to operate in the DA's office.

He said that he and his staff have built a DA's office "which has become recognized as one of the finest in the nation."

Garrison said he has not hesitated to fight for principle, adding that "in some instances the forces which I had to fight were considerably more powerful than I was."

He said that he and his family "had to suffer the consequences of confronting such powerful opposition. I have never quit nor compromised nor stepped backwards in any such fight where principle and the search for truth were involved."

Garrison resides with his wife and five children at 4600 Owens Blvd. He attended New Orleans public elementary and high schools and received a bachelor of law degree from Tulane University. Later he obtained a master of law degree.

He has practiced corporation law as well as represented plaintiffs in personal injury cases. He also practiced before state and federal trial court and appellate court.

Garrison served five years in the Army during World War II as well as 15 years in the Louisiana National Guard. He began his military service after more than 20 years as a lieutenant-colonel of the field artillery.

In World War II he served in combat in France and Germany as a pilot and was awarded the Air Medal for valor in aerial combat.

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# IS WATERGATE A BIG SETUP?

## PEOPLE MAY KNOW THE TRUTH

BY JACK MARTIN

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(EDITOR'S NOTE—We've known Jack Martin for many years. During this period of time he in-

the same persons who were supposed to have put these bugs in? If they were not, (6) who did put those bugs in?

These questions are germane . . . Because "THE CAST" of characters here are just as "colorful" as the intrigue, which lifts the eyebrows at every turn of events.

The characters involved within this tragic Machiavellian charade might easily fall into the classification of good-guys and bad-guys, with the standard "white-hats" etc. However, we'll only list principals here, leaving

ates), local cafe society playboy and private detective, whose plush suite of offices adjoin the swank lobby and established facilities of the popular old St. Charles Hotel (now called the Sheraton-Charles), one of New Orleans finest hostleries. He's generally known as an all-around nice guy and good citizen.

Moreover, until now, Walsh has always enjoyed a beautiful working relationship with most Federal, State, Parish (county), and City officials. Furthermore, we understand that he maintains a clean, successful, and rather lu-

Major John Thomas, Captains Russell Hebert and Coleman (Sunny) Vidrine, Lieutenants Thomas Miguad and Merlin Flair (all of the Louisiana State Police Narcotic and Intelligence Bureaus), and

Chief Robert (Bob) Knight (formerly State Police Narcotic Agent-In-Charge of New Orleans and now Chief of Security for Charity Hospital - L.S.U. and Tulane Medical Complex).

F.B.I. Agent Robert (Bob) Resler once told us, "Besides impersonating Federal Agents, es-

the fact Wyatt's also played games with such notables as James Hoffa, Edward Grady Partin, Carlos Marcello, and Jack P. F. Gremillion (former La. Attorney General, now doing time in the Federal penitentiary), anything is possible, if they put their wits together.

Just prior to, or about the same time as the "Watergate-breakin", Smith was prancing around town exhibiting a Xerox copy of what he "claimed" to be a classified and super-secret U. S. Military Intelligence report to anyone who'd stand still long enough to

Garrison - Kennedy Probe, the Jimmy Hoffa - Edward Grady Partin - Teamster - Labor Management cases, was a well known communications technical adviser in the field of eavesdropping listening devices, short wave radio etc., and to the best of our knowledge has always presented the unvarnished truth to our readers.)

NEW ORLEANS — Alerted on facts within local jurisdiction, it's rumored District Attorney Jim Garrison's office may soon launch its own, but parallel, "Watergate" investigation.

Although, the primary concern in this case will be the Democratic Party offices here, rather than Washington's Watergate Democratic headquarters. However, details may arise which could lead directly to it.

The approximate quote of one dependable courthouse source was, "If, or when this multifarious issue comes to a head before the grand jury, we should get some interesting answers, from an equally colorful group of dignitaries."

Frankly, this authority's choice of the adjective "multifarious" is an understatement. The entire issue is so complex that one question leads to another . . . An endless chain of relative material easily muddled by superfluous argument, to the point it may never be solved.

Just as in the Watergate case proper, some information gaps will surely be: (1) Who was really doing what to who, and (2) who was actually going to pay for it? Above all, (3) were people installing bugs, or (4) were they removing them, and if they were taking them out, (5) were they

using the discretion of authorities.

In alphabetical order, we have: Dr. Earl (Jim) Schindler, Tulane University scientist specializing in medical electronics, who also researches such fields as advanced physics, ballistics, violent elements (including fissionable or fusionable materials), and in order to relieve technical pressures of the otherwise busy day, practices on the side as an electronic eavesdropping expert, especially in the fine art of debugging and instrument detection. Schindler escapes the "hum-drum" by running around with private detectives, and as a "pee-eye-buff" he's become quite an investigator.

Next we have (2) Benjamin E. Smith, an attorney of "some" renown, who they say is a close friend of Senator George McGovern. He's well known for his assistance, and oft times gratis, but venomous defense of those who do not necessarily approve of our American form of government.

Smith's law offices, and a communist front organizational headquarters were once simultaneously raided by our district attorney (Jim Garrison) and the House Un-American Activities Committee in a joint operational venture. At the time several truck loads of documents were seized.

Particularly because of this, Smith has been mentioned so many times in Senate, House, and other Committee reports, to say nothing of the press, we could not begin to list his accomplishments in such gymnastical-extremist-functionary Arts of the serpentine nether world.

Then comes (3) Don Walsh (Southern Investigation Associates

practise, evidenced by several file cabinets full of happy clients.

Our last character listed for the moment is (4) George Owen Wyatt, once dishonorably discharged from the military service as a sexual deviate, and ex-convict, a notorious police character, noted even amongst the underworld as a stool-pigeon and setup artist, who fails to get along with anyone (given enough time). By working both sides against the middle, Wyatt, has upon occasion attempted to not only frame "people-on-the-street" but law enforcement officials too.

Some of those he's tried to put the knife to, so-to-speak, are: The Kennedy family (through R. F. ), Attorney F. Lee Bailey, and Walter Sheridan (formerly with N.B.C. and the U. S. Justice Department).

Law enforcement officials Wyatt attempted to scuttle from time-to-time are:

Harry Roberts (former F.B.I. Agent, and once the Director of the Governor's Labor Management and Rackets Commission);

William (Bill) Dent (former F.B.I. Inspector, and Director of Louisiana Department of Public Safety);

General Thomas Burbank (former Chief, Louisiana State Police);

Colonel Raymond Ruiz (formerly with Labor Management and Rackets Commission, and now Provost Marshal 39th Military Police La. N.G.);

Superintendent Clarence Giarrusso (present Chief, New Orleans Police Department);

peculiar F.B.I. men, Wyatt seems to make a 'side-line-living' by faking accidents and then shaking down his employer's insurance firms." Continuing to "play-both-ends" as usual, we understand this is his present means of livelihood, while secretly working as maintenance repairman in an apartment house complex owned by an attorney, who doesn't know his nefarious past.

These are just a few of Wyatt's references, but like Smith, he's all over the place . . . From Washington to Honolulu, to Detroit (during their riots), then Cleveland (when they had trouble), now back to New Orleans (while we have problems) again, where he lives at 4762 Music Street. Most people wish that he'd go back to his "cooling-off-spot" in Mexico, where he often lives at No. 15 Emilio Caranza in Matamoros, across from Brownsville, Texas.

Put Smith and Wyatt together, and "THE CON JOB" these two could figure out might keep everyone in the nation guessing for years . . . That is considering

listen, especially members of the news media. At the moment Smith, argued in favor of this document's validity, pointing out its contents as proof that Army Intelligence people had successfully "bugged" every Democratic Party political headquarters in Louisiana and the entire nation.

One famous personality witnessing Smith's act was award-winning newscaster (1) Iris Kelso, political editor of television station WDSU (an N.B.C. affiliate for television, A.M. and F.M. radio).

Needless to say, Smith's report was also seen by (2) Major Hubert, commanding the local Army Military Intelligence detachment here. At the time Hubert "secured" a copy of it, which he immediately forwarded to his headquarters for an official authentication. Our sources inform us this report was proven to be an excellent forgery, and we (this reporter) so advised Mrs. Kelso and several others, "Do not be taken in like Jack Anderson, by phony

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documents."

Another reputable person knowledgeable of this instrument was (3) Captain O'Neil P. (Frenchy) De Noux, who heads the crime laboratory of the Jefferson Parish (county) Sheriff's office. De Noux, a former intelligence officer with the Army and C.I.D., having once commanded the intelligence division of the sheriff's department, is well appraised of such escapades staged by "citizens" like Smith or Wyatt, and their ilk . . . He refers to this "bunch" of people as "a-sack-of-roaches" when they are mentioned, because "THE PITCH" usually attempted "stinks" from the onset.

A Smith master stroke was yet to come. Thickening his plot, Smith approached both Walsh and Schindler, attempting to engage their services. Smith desired to "protect" Democratic Party headquarters here and throughout Louisiana; but by the same token, to apparently "frame" Army Intelligence, and various elements of the Republican Party by implication.

Using this fake report to convince Walsh and Schindler, Smith claimed that all these premises were without doubt bugged. Smelling a foul, they quoted Smith a fee of \$500 plus expenses for their inspection.

Smith protested this as far too much, at first. However, after

Apparently he cared less whether evidence was "put there", just as long as he received some kind of tangible proof of these wild claims, so that he'd have an opportunity of screaming to all the powers that be! Now, you can bet on one sure thing . . . After this much effort, if Smith were denied this end result, "THE HAMMER" would surely fall on some poor soul.

The result was, Smith's little project fell like a ton of lead. Not because Walsh or Schindler hadn't fully snapped to just "what" he wanted of them; but that they would not falsify evidence for him or anyone else. Little did he know just "how wise" this academic and financially independent team was, or could be in such cases.

It goes without saying, Smith was "let down" by a negative report and we understand he almost refused to pay his bill. He sent Walsh and Schindler a letter in protest, and went through all sorts of gyrations over matters. It was evident that Smith was rather angry over this particular mission's failure, and his inability of cutting the so-called mustard, or to smoothly bribe the powers-that-be into acquiring "just what" he happened to need.

We're told that within several days, Wyatt made an appearance at Schindler's home. Knowing that Schindler was amongst other things a gun collector, Wyatt succeeded in allegedly selling him an old .44 calibre carbine rifle, that for some obscure reason or another was to cause Schindler grief. Anyway, Wyatt a few days later, again came around and introduced Schindler to "some friends"

party), and our military.

We have further proof and evidence to give in additional news-stories, which we hope may lead to a more definite connection between the eavesdropping problems of New Orleans, and their relationship to Washington's Watergate.

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some haggling he conceded, again showing them this forged report, explaining the "urgency" of the matter at hand, and validating his statements upon the strength of this documentation. In fact, he overplayed his act by more than "tempting - load - baiting - his - fishing - hook" with an added monetary inducement, far in excess of the original \$500 amount suggested by Walsh and Schindler in order to discourage him.

In fact, Smith's proposition (figuring by then it was only a question of money) was, that he'd not only pay the agreed \$500 fee and expenses, just for New Orleans . . . But that he personally would guarantee payment of another \$500, plus expenses, for each and every other Democratic Party headquarters and office throughout the state, a projected aggregate sum of at least \$50,000 in total, according to statistics at this time: Providing of course, they "found" bugs or any eavesdropping evidence, of any kind, no matter how remote, within the immediate area upon their first inspection of his local office and headquarters. Furthermore, Smith affirmed this by stating he was more than certain now that they would "find something of some sort" to prove his phony report, thus binding the "extra bonus portion" of his contract.

Moreover, Smith erased any doubt of his intentions, nor that such devices existed, or for that matter that he's challenge any evidence, regardless of how remote, if or when "it" was shown him. This pressure continued throughout his conversations he repeatedly offered very inducement, and did everything possible, short of offering a bold direct bribe, to have the Walsh-Schindler team "plant" any type of eavesdropping equipment necessary to prove his propaganda, or claims, as a point in question.

who were supposed to be gun buyers and hobby collectors too.

It seems that Wyatt's friends proved to be some "undercover agents" of sorts, on a "roping-in-party" . . . Because this led to Schindler's arrest, and charge under the gun control and firearms act. He was only released upon posting a \$25,000 cash bond, which at that moment failed to prove much of a "strain" on anyone . . . In fact, Schindler cracks jokes about it now.

Directly following this little episode another group of agents moved in on Walsh, reading him "his rights" the moment they pushed their way into his office. However, after a brief game of "Mutt and Jeff" they made a hasty exit, warning him to keep his mouth shut and to mind his own business. Minutes later, two city detectives came by to pick up Walsh's pistol permit and special officer's commission, just for kicks, as a follow-up.

What do we have here? Nothing but a bunch of setup artists running around loose, using unsuspecting authorities to cover up for them. Actually "THE CLINCH" goes far beyond this point.

Bear in mind (1) this all happened prior to, or just at the time the Watergate breakin was brought to light. That (2) the military were to be the "fall-guys" accused of bugging, not only (3) headquarters and offices here, but (4) all over the state, and (5) the United States, which (6) includes Watergate.

The (7) same modus operandi was used, or was attempted here, with but minor difference, that was successful in Washington. That (8) sources all stem from the same radical elements who would destroy our faith in American government (regardless of

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# Memorandum

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FROM : SAC, LAS VEGAS (62-0)

SUBJECT: DISTRICT ATTORNEY JAMES GARRISON  
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[redacted] advised that captioned subject is a frequent visitor to Las Vegas, Nevada, at [redacted] Source advised he is a heavy loser [redacted]

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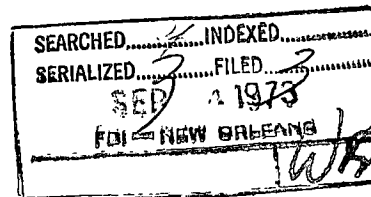
[redacted] and that he brings a woman with him from New Orleans that is not believed to be his wife. Source said the woman is described as "blonde and beautiful." Source advised GARRISON and his woman companion travel by airplane between New Orleans and Las Vegas.

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## Garrison takes case to La. high court

By JAMES HEARTY

Attorneys for Dist. Atty. Jim Garrison today asked the Louisiana Supreme Court to hear his claim that he should have won the Democratic primary last month.

The court scheduled a conference of its seven justices at 8 p.m. Wednesday to review District Attorney Jim Garrison's appeal. Garrison's attorneys had filed his writs of review in the high court about an hour earlier.

Attorneys Russell C. Schonekas and Gibson Tucker filed Garrison's appeal this morning and the full court was scheduled to take it up later today.

The DA is asking the court to grant him a trial on the matter, which was thrown out by two lower courts.

Garrison claims his narrow defeat Dec. 15 by Harry F. Connick was the result of irregularities in the second Democratic primary.

He is asking that he be declared the Democratic nominee rather than Connick or, alternatively, that a new election be called.

The petition filed this morning charged that the lower courts erred in failing to grant Garrison a full-scale trial.

If the high court rules

against Garrison, the case is over and Connick remains the Democratic nominee.

It was the veteran district attorney's first defeat in 11 years. For Connick, it was the culmination of five years of campaigning after an unsuccessful effort to unseat Garrison four years ago.

Garrison says some 2,369 fraudulent votes were cast in the Dec. 15 election by persons who did not appear at the polls but whose names were entered on voting lists. He also claims more than 10,000 other instances of irregularities.

A majority of the appeals court, however, said the alleged irregularities do not constitute a basis for setting aside the election results.

Those results gave Connick a 2,200 vote margin.

"In the absence of fraud, mere failure of election officials to perform a ministerial duty will not warrant the setting aside of the election," Judge James Gulotta said in the appeals court decision.

"It cannot be presumed that the commissioners and/or watchers committed fraud," Gulotta wrote. "Factual allegations of fraud must be alleged, not conclusions presuming fraud."

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